

Housing Programs* Matrix for Transitioning-Age Youth

	Transitional Housing Placement Program (THPP)	Transitional Housing Program (THP) for Homeless Young People	Homeless Prevention Initiative	Transitional Housing Program - Plus (THP+)
What is it?	A Program for in care, suitably placed (PP file) Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) or Probation youth ages 16 up to 18 who are suitable for apartment living and working on obtaining a high school diploma. The length of stay is one year. Some sites have on-site supervision and some do not.	HUD-funded, work/save program for Transitional Age Youth, 18 up to 22 (Youth must be admitted before 22nd birthday). Former dependents and wards live in 1 or 2 bedroom apts. located throughout LA County; youth are assigned a CSW who assists with youth's employment and life skill needs; youth may remain in the program up to 18 months.	Move-in and rental assistance funding source for former foster youth ages 18 thru 24. Youth must have been placed in a foster home, relative home or group homes between the ages of 16-18 or were adopted after age 12.	THP-Plus is a transitional housing opportunity for former foster (DCFS/Probation) youth, from 18 years of age and under 24 years of age. These youth must have aged out from the child welfare system and are at risk of homelessness.
Capacity	75	244	150	150
What are the program goals?	Simulate independent living by housing youth in apartments; assist youth in completion of HS Diploma/GED; assist youth transition from Foster Care.	The primary goal is to prevent Transitioning Age Youth (TAY) from being homeless. Other goals: assist youth in saving money to fund a transition into permanent housing; teaching life skills; follow-up aftercare services for 3 to 6 months.	Program participants will secure permanent housing and be able to maintain appropriate housing settings.	The goal of THP-Plus is to provide independent living opportunities for eligible participants to practice life skills in a safe environment and to assist with the transition from dependence to self-sufficiency.
What services are provided?	Furnished apt. w/pd. utilities; intensified Independent Living Program (ILP) for youth (Note: youth must be ILP-eligible); food, clothing and personal care allowance and employment support and case management.	Services include: life skills training; assistance w/employment needs; monthly food stipends (\$200.00); rental payment, bus pass/tokens; payment of utilities; and linkage to other agencies, as necessary.	Eligible for payment of move-in fees (security deposit and first month rent) and rent (\$1,000.00 max) for a maximum of 6 months. Eligible for utility connection fees (excluding telephone/cable), appliances, & some furniture items.	Youth are eligible for up to 24 months of housing and supportive services that include food vouchers, transportation, education, employment assistance, lifeskills training and case management.
What is the intake process?	Youth/Children Social Worker (CSW)/Deputy Probation Officer (DPO) completes application and provides supporting docs.; review of docs.; youth scheduled for interview, usually on Friday.	Homeless Youth may self-refer or be referred by CSW/Advocate, Community Partners, etc.; once documentation obtained; screen/interviewed orientation, if applicable then moved-in by case manager (Some youth may require more individualized admittance process). Non-appropriate youth may be linked to other programs.	Youth must complete and submit an application and participate in the interview/eligibility process.	Youth/CSW must contact THP-Plus Manager at (213) 351-0239 regarding admission.
Restrictions	In care youth age 16-18	TAY, former foster youth age 18 to 22	Former foster youth age 18 thru 24. Must be in foster care after age 16	Aged out of Foster Care/Probation-non HOP; suitable placement only
Monthly Cost	\$3,462.00 per youth per month	Rent at market value \$200.00 dollars and bus pass per month. Resident must contribute half of monthly salary	Security deposit first month rent. Rent for maximum of 6 months (1,000.00 maximum)	\$2,200.00 per youth per month
Funding Source	State Funds-57% Foster Care /43% State	Federal (Housing and Urban Development (HUD-53%) & ILP Match-47%)	100% County Funds	100% State funds
Contact Information	Admission/Intake (213) 351-0121; (562) 903-5271	Admission/Intake (213) 351-0190; (213) 351-0123	18-20 or ILP-eligible - contact Trans. Coord. Youth age 21/non-ILP eligible contact (213) 351-0239	Admission: ages 18 to 24 to Contact: (213) 351-0239

***There are additional housing programs for Special Needs youth beginning at age 18 in LA County. For further information, contact Robert Goldberg (DCFS) at (213)351-0184 or John Thompson (Probation) at (213) 351-0156.**